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ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TO-
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FOR THE FOLLOWING
PURPOSES:
To uphold and defend the Consti-
tution of the United States of
America;
To maintain law and order;
To foster and perpetuate a one
hundred percent Americanism;
To preserve the memories and
incidents of our associations in
the Great Wars;
To inculcate a sense of individual
obligation to the community, state
and nation;
To combat the autocracy of both
the classes and the masses;
To make right the master of
might;
To promote peace and goodwill
on earth;
To safeguard and transmit to
posterity the principles of justice,
freedom and
democracy;
To consecrate and sanctify our
comradship by our devotion to
mutual helpfulness.

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THE MARAUDER

MAY 2016



MESSAGE FROM YOUR COMMANDER

It is that time year for election of new officers. We had our first round of nominations of officers last meeting. There are two people running for Commander. They are Oscar Perez, Finance Officer and Tim Dusina, ALR. Voting will take place immediately following closing of nominations. New Officers will be sworn in at our June meeting and will take office on July 1, 2016. Remember to attend this next meeting as voting will determine who will be your new Post Commander.

The City Council in Tustin voted against swapping property to relocate the proposed State Cemetery at El Toro Marine Base. There seems to be a problem with the residents living in that area. This decision was good for the Veterans that wanted their cemetery located at the El Toro base location. This may take some time to get the ball rolling for completion.

I want to thank you all for coming in for spaghetti dinners. We are going to change it up and do sausage & peppers on a 6" roll. I would like to thank Tony. He has done a great job cooking dinners and has always been there for the Veterans. He not only cooks spaghetti for us but has provided bagels for all of us. Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart for all the things that you have done to help our post.

We will be doing our Memorial Day Service on May 30, 2016, across the street at the Westminster Memorial Cemetery. The ceremony will start at 11:00 a.m. sharp. All personnel wanting to be involved must remember to be there on time.

Don't forget to order your wreath. I will order one for the American Legion.

I want to mention the following phone numbers again for reference in your travels. Remember the Veterans Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255 PRESS 1. And to find your LOCAL COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE



OFFICER, (CVSO), (714) 480-8555.

This will be the last article for me to write as your Commander. I want to thank everyone who helped make my year a great one as your Commander. Also, I want to thank all the volunteers that helped with all the events over this past year too.

Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart. Hopefully this great service will continue with your next Commander. This is not "Goodbye." It is just "See you later" for now.

Jenny Hayden
Commander

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Memorial Day, May 30



Armed Forces Day, May 21

THE CHAPLAIN'S PULPIT

"Mayday Mayday." Here we go. May is here and again we are blessed that we don't have any members that passed on to the Post Everlasting. As a reminder please remember to let me know as soon as possible if you have a loved one that passes on so we can definitely honor that special member. (Amen)

More info on our great post Triple Nickel Albert E. Schwab Midway City. During the early years, communities were growing, and the Post was growing with them. The community embraced the Post as a contributor to the community and a place where our returning Servicemen (Veterans) would belong and become part of the community. It must have been exciting and challenging to be part of this history in the making.

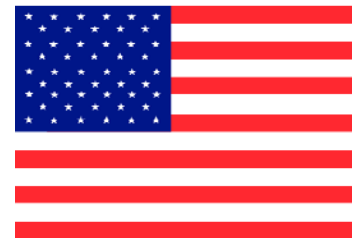
Some highlights of the history of

our great post will be in the June issue of our fine Marauder.

I'm asking the members that haven't renewed their membership for 2016 to please contact me to renew. I have 56 members that need to renew by June. We are so close to 100%, and I know we can do it. If you have any questions about the past, we did have a little trouble last year, but I have corrected that.

God Bless America and the American Legion Family, definitely our Great Troops. For God and Country. Please stay healthy and very alert of your surroundings.

Andy Timko
Post 555 Chaplain and Adjutant
(AMEN)



THE PURPLE HEART BEAT

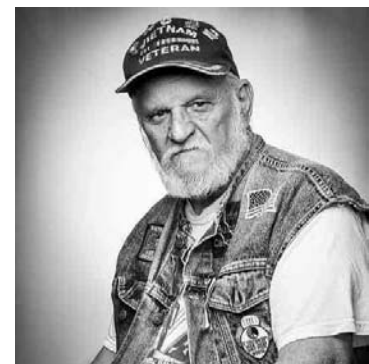


You may have already heard of the death of Greg Gillaspy who was hit by a drunk driver while walking in his neighborhood of Yorba Linda. He was an advocate of all things Veteran, was the president of Chapter 1024 of the VVA, a sup-

porter of "In God We Trust" and Red Friday, ran classic car shows and always represented the Veteran community in a very positive way.

I was honored to install him as President and also the Vice President "Grumpy" when Chapter 1024 was started since I was representative of the Dept. of California for the Purple Heart.

A memorial service was held in conjunction with the flag event at the Plaza in Orange on Wednesday, April 13, and an additional service was held at the Chapter meeting at the Orange American Legion Hall on Wednesday, April 20 at 7:00pm.



In Memory of Greg Gillaspy

He was loved by all and will be sorely missed.

Jim Pinnix, Adjutant
Purple Heart Chapter 752



Hello Everyone,

Girls State Fundraiser: I want to take this opportunity to personally thank Angie Balius, Specialist, with the Garden Grove Unified School District, who did a fabulous job putting the Wine & Art Night Fundraiser together and helped the Auxiliary raise money for our Girls State Program. Those who attended had a fun evening sharing some wine and laughs, learning to become an artist & take their masterpiece home, and also had an opportunity to bid on some great things in the silent auction.

We were also very fortunate to receive a donation of \$450.00 from the Garden Grove Elks Lodge #1952 for the sponsorship of one of our high school girls to attend Girls State. This was certainly a nice surprise for us and is a wonderful opportunity for a girl to experience this dynamic program.

Cinco de Mayo Night:



We decided to celebrate **Cinco de Mayo on Thursday, May 5**, with having an **Enchilada Dinner with rice and beans, salad, dessert, and coffee**, for \$8.00, and Drink Specials in the bar instead of the regular Taco Thursday Night. Come and

AUXILIARY UNIT 555

celebrate this fun night with us!

Taco Thursdays will resume on May 12 as usual.

Spring Tea:

Our Spring Tea for Ladies and Gentlemen will be Saturday, May 21, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Annex Building of the Post.

Advanced purchase tickets by May 13 will be \$15.00 after that they will be \$20.00.

Tickets can be purchased from any Auxiliary member or by contacting me at 714-319-4035.

We will be having a Best Hat Contest, Live Music with our harpist, Kate Huntley, and lots of raffle prizes. Last year's tea was a lot of fun, so if you didn't get a chance last year, now is your opportunity to join us for a great

afternoon!

Memorial Day Poppies: The Auxiliary will have Poppies available for "donation" for Memorial Day. Get your poppies from any of our Auxiliary members and remember these are made by our disabled veterans and should be worn proudly in memory of all of those who have served.

Newly Elected Officers: I would like to personally thank all my fellow



Auxiliary members, as well as our Post Family members, who supported me as President these last two years. With all of your support we were able to accomplish many great things not only for the Auxiliary, but for Post 555 as well.

Our newly elected officers who will be sworn in June are as follows:

President: Kokoe Estrada
1st Vice President: Kay Hamby
2nd Vice President: Rita Smith
Treasurer: Sherrie Fisher
Secretary: Sandy Sutton
Chaplain: Mary Yerigan
Sergeant at Arms: Bonnie Seibert
Historian: Yvonne Zweifel

Looking forward to another great year for the Auxiliary!

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY
Kay Hamby



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SUNDAY MAY 22nd at POST 555
DOORS OPEN AT 12:00 PM AND
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THEIR FAVORITE WRESTLER AT HALF TIME, DAD
CAN TOO.



WE OFTEN HAVE SPECIAL GUEST, SUCH
AS THESE LOVELY LADIES FROM
CLOUD 9 COCKTAIL LOUNGE WHO
SPONSORED OUR LAST MATCH.

COME AND JOIN THE SONS FOR A DAY OF FUN, ALL PROCEEDS ARE USED
TO FUND OUR PROGRAMS



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 555

As I write this article, on April 18, several important events are approaching. First, this coming weekend, the Department of California, American Legion Riders 10th Annual Convention will convene in San Luis Obispo. Our Chapter will have five delegates in attendance to cast their votes on any resolutions that come up as well as who shall be our new Department President, Vice President and Sgt at Arms. The Area 5 Vice President will also be decided at the area 5 caucus.

Also coming up at the May Albert E. Schwab Post 555 meeting are final nominations and elections. I cannot stress enough the importance of showing up and supporting the candidates of your choice. I am also very pleased to see several Chapter 555 members have transferred into Post 555. Your move will certainly support the Post in membership goal numbers!

Again, if you are a Legionnaire of Post 555, make sure you show up at the Post on Monday, May 9, 2016, at 7:00pm. Officer positions are being contested for the

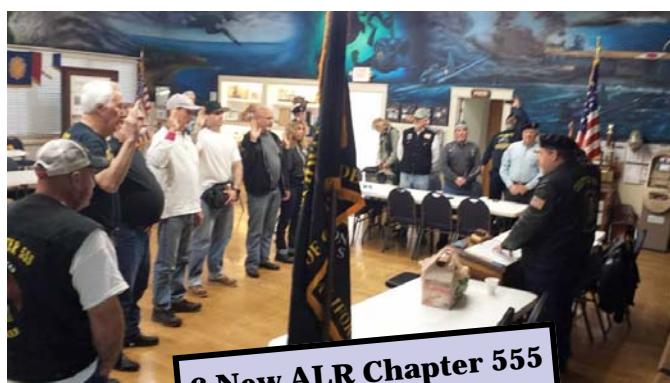
first time in several years. If you don't come to the meeting and cast your vote, then you can't complain about the direction the Post is taking.

Lastly, as I stated in last month's issue of The Marauder, I am truly honored to have been elected Chapter President again. I look forward to another great year, and doing good work on behalf of our fellow Veterans. Let's Ride!



Jim Sewell
President
ALR Chapter 555

**Remember...
Rider Night is Every
Friday!!**



**6 New ALR Chapter 555
Members!**

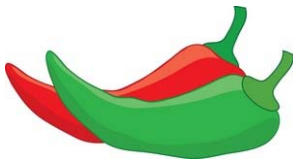


**Dept. of California
American Legion Riders Convention
San Luis Obispo**



FIESTA

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TACO THURSDAYS

\$/

5 - 7pm

\$/



Beef, Chicken, Veggie Tacos
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7:30-9:30pm

Upcoming Dates:

May 23 June 27
July 25

Bar will be open!
Drink Specials &
~ Pizza \$1.50 / slice ~

LOCATION:

American Legion Post 555
14582 Beach Blvd.
Midway City, CA

BLASTS ...from the Past!!!

(This section will be included in The Marauder periodically when I have pictures to share. Please send me your "vintage" pictures so I can include them in future issues.)

CAN YOU GUESS WHO THIS IS???

He is one of our members.

No hint on this one!

To the first 3 people who guess correctly, see me on or after May 4th when I'm bartending, and your first drink is on me! (Sandy)

Note: Featured member and their family are not eligible for the free drink. :)



Military Truisms

- "Aim towards the Enemy." [Instruction printed on US rocket launcher]
- "When the pin is pulled, Mr. Grenade is no longer our friend." [From a US Field Manual]
- Cluster bombing from B-52s is very, very accurate. The bombs always hit the ground.
- Whoever said the pen is mightier than the sword obviously never encountered automatic weapons.
- Don't ever be the first; don't ever be the last; and don't ever volunteer to do anything.
- If your attack is going too well, you are walking into an ambush.
- If you find yourself in a fair fight, you didn't plan your mission properly.
- Don't draw fire; it irritates the people around you.
- No combat-ready unit has ever passed inspection.
- Any ship can be a minesweeper once.

Military Trivia Facts (1-5 of 15)

1. 30 of the 43 Presidents served in the Army, 24 during time of war, two earned the rank of 5-star General (Washington and Eisenhower) and one earned the Medal of Honor (T. Roosevelt)
2. Less than 28 percent of Americans between the ages of 17-23 are qualified for military service, that's only about 1-in-4.
3. The U.S. Air Force was part of the Army until 1946. It was called the Army Air Corp.
4. Only one President (James Buchanan) served as an enlisted man in the military and did not go on to

become an officer.

5. The Department of Defense employs about 1.8 million people on active duty. It is the largest employer in the United States, with more employees than Exxon, Mobil, Ford, General Motors, and GE combined!

(to be continued...)

BAR HOURS REMINDER:

Bar stays open till AT LEAST 9pm when Sandy, Tim & Kokoe are tending bar & of course Taco Night!

VOTE!!!

Mark your calendars

and remember to get down to the Post to vote for your choice of Post Officers at the **May 9th** meeting.

Final Nominations & Voting at May 9th meeting at 7pm

Sandy's email:

sandyvcsr@gmail.com

Italian Monday

Monday,
May 16
5:30 p.m.

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Thursday, May 5
5-7pm



Enchiladas
Rice & Beans, Salad
Dessert & Coffee
\$8

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TRIPLE NICKLE

HOURS:

WEEKDAYS 2PM - AT LEAST 7PM*
SATURDAY NOON - AT LEAST 6PM*
SUNDAY CLOSED



CHALLENGE A FRIEND TO
A FUN GAME OF DARTS!!



WINE & SPIRITS

Our Post 555 Bartenders are all Volunteers, giving of their time.
Please tip accordingly.

*** HOURS POSTED WILL BE EXTENDED DUE TO LEGION FAMILY NEEDS.**

****OPEN TILL AT LEAST 9PM** WHEN SANDY, TIM & KOKOE ARE BARTENDING**
& ON TACO NIGHT WITH ED.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

William Bichel
Thomas Foster
Louis Lisenby
Thomas Machulda

Ellen McNamara
Jesse Sanchez
James Williams
James Ziegler



Come on in to the Triple Nickle for a free Birthday Beverage of your choice.
(Not listed? Contact the Editor and give her your birth date!)



MAY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 7pm Auxiliary Unit Mtg	4 40/8 - 7pm	5 Cinco de Mayo Enchilada Dinner 5 to 7pm	6 ALR Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	7 Bar Opens at Noon Sat.
8 Pinochle 1PM	9 VOTE! Post E-Board 5pm Post 555 Mtg 7pm— VOTE!	10	11 Marine Corps League 7:30pm	12 Taco Night 5 to 7pm	13 ALR Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	14 Bar Opens at Noon Sat.
15 Pinochle 1PM	16 Sausage & Peppers Dinner 5:30PM Sons (SAL) E-Board 6:30pm Sons Mtg 7pm	17	18	19 Taco Night 5 to 7pm Hunters Gun Club 5pm	20 ALR Dinner & Suds Opens 2PM	21 Bar Opens at Noon Sat. Armed Forces Day Spring Tea 1-3pm
22 SAL Wrestling 1pm	23 Big Band Music, Dancing & Pizza 7:30-9:30pm	24	25	26 Taco Night 5 to 7pm Corvette Club 7:30pm	27 ALR Dinner & Suds Opens at 2PM	28 Bar Opens at Noon Sat. ALR 8:30am MOPH 11am
29	30 MEMORIAL DAY Memorial Day Service 11 a.m.	31	EVENTS IN MAY: May 5 - Cinco de Mayo (Enchilada Dinner) May 9 - VOTE for Post Officers May 16 - Sausage & Peppers Italian Dinner 5:30pm May 21 - Spring Tea 1-3pm May 22 - Wrestling 1pm (Sons of the AL) May 23 - Big Band Music, Dancing & Pizza May 30 - Memorial Day Service 11:00 a.m. sharp (at Westminster Memorial Park) Taco Thursdays 5-7pm (May 12, May 19, May 26)			

Upcoming Events:

June 20 - Italian Dinner
June 27 - Big Band Music & Dancing

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 First Vice Commander: Napoleon Singletary
 Second Vice Commander: Charles Bates
 E-Board: Ed Sedlak
 Andy Timko
 Lee Lieberg
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 Asst. Adjutant: Mary Yerigan

Finance: Oscar Perez
 Judge Advocate: Jim Sewell
 Sergeant at Arms: Ed Sedlak
 Asst. Sgt at Arms: Mike Sternisha
 Chaplain: Andy Timko
 Editor: Sandy Sutton
 Service Officer: Vacant



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President: Kay Hamby
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 Second Vice: Linda Earnest
 Treasurer: Kokoe Estrada
 Secretary: Lil Perez
 Chaplain: Eveline Sifuentes

Sergeant at Arms: Bonnie Seibert
 Historian: Ana Eustace



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS CHAPTER 555 OFFICERS

President: Jim Sewell
 Vice President: Len Guillen
 Secretary: Charlie Bates
 Treasurer: Kokoe Estrada
 Sergeant at Arms: Tony Olson
 Road Captain: Open
 Chaplain: Jeff Gallagher



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Commander & Acting Treasurer: James Eubanks
 First Vice & Acting Adjutant: George Willis
 Second Vice: Nick Eustace
 Sergeant at Arms: Michael Eustace
 Chaplain: Francisco Paras, Jr.



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